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Classified by Ambassador Carol van Voorst for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Ambassador reconfirmed with MFA Permanent Secretary Gretar Mar Sigurdsson February 13 and 14 that Iceland will not be in the first wave to recognize Kosovo but will not be in the last group either. Sigurdsson noted that the Nordic countries have agreed to stay in touch with each other regarding timing, and that he expects Iceland to recognize Kosovo slightly before the Norwegians do.

van Voorst